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SUBJECT: STATE SECRETARY REPORTS ON HIS GUINEA BISSAU

CONSULTATIONS WITH NORDIC STATES

REF: A. THE HAGUE 616 (NOTAL)

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1. SUMMARY: DURING FEB 5 PRESS CONFERENCE, STATE
SECRETARY KOOLJMAN SAID HIS TALKS IN NORDIC COUNTRIES
OVER GUINEA BISSAU WERE AIMED AT DECIDING BEST WAY

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PORTUGAL COULD BE PRESSURED INTO NEGOTIATIONS WITH

AFRICAN LIBERATION MOVEMENTS IN ORDER SOLVE SOUTHERN
AFRICAN COLONIAL PROBLEM. END SUMMARY.

2. STATE SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS KOOIJMANS BRIEFED
PRESS FEB 5 ON HIS RECENT TALKS IN HELSINKI, OSLO AND
STOCKHOLM. HE SAID PRINCIPAL TOPIC DISCUSSED HAD BEEN
ICRC CONFERENCE ON BANNING OF "INHUMANE ARMS" WHICH STARTS
IN GENEVA FEB 20. STATE SECRETARY THEN COVERED CONSULTA-
TIONS ON GUINEA BISSAU. HE SAID HIS PRINCIPAL AIM HAD
BEEN TO DISCUSS WAYS PRESSURE COULD BE APPLIED TO PORTUGAL
TO ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS WITH LIBERATION MOVEMENTS
AND THEREBY REACH PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO COLONIAL PROBLEM
IN SOUTHERN AFRICA. KOOIJMANS CONTENDED ALL
LIBERATION MOVEMENTS (PAIGC, MPLA, AND FRELIMO) WERE READY
TO BEGIN SUCH NEGOTIATIONS, BUT DOUBTED WHETHER PORTUGAL
EQUALLY WILLING, ALTHOUGH KOOIJMANS MAINTAINED PORTUGUESE
SELF-INTEREST DICTATED SUCH DISCUSSIONS. STATE SECRETARY
SAID FACT THAT GUINEA BISSAU RECOGNIZED BY 73 STATES WAS
ONE WAY OF PRESSURING PORTUGAL INTO ENTERING INTO
NEGOTIATIONS.

3. KOOIJMANS SAID PORTUGUESE COLONIAL PROBLEM SUBJECT
OF CONSTANT CONSULTATIONS WITHIN NINE AND BENELUX. HE
ADMITTED THERE NO FREQUENT TALKS WITH PORTUGUESE ALTHOUGH
LISBON WAS "FULLY FAMILIAR WITH VIEWS OF GON". KOOIJMANS
SAID THAT WHEN GON EVENTUALLY RECOGNIZED GUINEA BISSAU
THIS WOULD REMOVE ONE OF MEANS BY WHICH GON COULD PRESSURE
PORTUGAL. STATE SECRETARY SAID GON WOULD NOT RPT NOT
WAIT FOR EIGHT OTHER EC NATIONS TO RECOGNIZE BEFORE IT
EXTENDED ITS OWN RECOGNITION. KOOIJMANS REITERATED GON'S
DECISION NOT TO RECOGNIZE GUINEA BISSAU NOW HAD BEEN
MADE ON BASIS OF INTERNATIONAL LAW AND BECAUSE GUINEA
BISSAU DID NOT MEET CONSTITUTIONAL NORMS FOR
RECOGNITION.

4. COMMENT: AS REPORTED REF A, FONMIN VAN DER STOEL
WILL RECEIVE PAIGC DELEGATION FEB 9. PAIGC REPRESENTATION
WILL ALSO PARTICIPATE IN RALLIES SPONSORED BY ANGOLA
COMMITTEE AND LEFT WING POLITICAL PARTIES ON FEB 12 AND 13
IN AMSTERDAM AND ROTTERDAM. EMBOFF HAS APPOINTMENT FEB 7
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WITH MFA OFFICIAL WHO ACCOMPANIED KOOIJMANS ON NORDIC
CONSULTATIONS AND WILL TRY GET CLEARER IDEA EXACTLY WHAT
GON IS PROPOSING AS SUGGESTED PARA 2, REF B. WE ARE
INCLINED BELIEVE, HOWEVER, THAT GON HAS NO "GRAD DESIGN"
FOR MOBILIZING ENERGIES OF EUROPEANS AND GETTING US TO
PRESSURE PORTUGAL INTO CHANGING ITS COLONIAL POLICY.
IN RESPONSE TO CONSIDERABLE DOMESTIC POLITICAL PRESSURE,
GON IS SIMPLY TRYING TO INDICATE CONTINUING DUTCH

COMMITMENT TO GUINEA BISSAU CAUSE WITHOUT FORMAL RECOG-
NITION, AND BY TAKING VAGUE ROUTE OF "CONSULTATION WITH
LIKE-MINDED STATES."
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